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The Boss Is Comin' Home

Anderson Will Soon
Get Out Of Hospital

By Kelly Regan
Bulletin Staff Writer

Mary Washington College President William M. Anderson is gradually recovering from a brain aneurysm that he suffered on Sept. 25. Now at the Medical College of Virginia Hospital in Richmond, Anderson's largest obstacle may prove to be impaired vision in both eyes.

Anderson's aneurysm caused damage on the left side of his body. While the process towards full recovery is slow, Anderson recently regained some feeling on his left side.

He is still bound to a wheelchair, however, those who have visited Anderson say his spirits are high and he is determined to return to Brompton, his Fredericksburg residence, as soon as possible.

"He is so anxious to get home. He wants to walk down campus walk. We may have to wheel him instead, but he's ready to come home," said Mrs. Anderson. "The hardest part is to keep him from working."

Bill Crawley, long-time friend and professor of history, visited Anderson on Oct. 16, and witnessed this resolve.

"Today has been a breakthrough day," Anderson told Crawley. Crawley said when he asked why, Anderson proudly raised his left thumb.

Another recent achievement Anderson experienced was standing on crutches in physical therapy. Doctors are hopeful that he will eventually be ambulatory, according to Mrs. Jane Anderson.

Unfortunately, regaining full vision remains a far-away goal for Anderson. Both eyes are receiving incomplete blocks of images because vision depends on both the left and right side of the brain. Doctors may be able to prescribe special glasses which will enhance his vision, but it is doubtful he will be able to drive a car in the near future, according to Midge Poeyck, executive vice president. Poeyck is acting-president during Anderson's rehabilitation.

Mrs. Anderson reports that Anderson will visit Brompton on the weekend of Nov. 9 and is scheduled to move home permanently in three or four weeks.

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Mary Washington Tops Crime List MWC Robs Highest Per Capita Crime Rate In Virginia From W&M

By Sharon Bhagwandin
Bulletin Staff Writer

Recent statistics compiled and released by the Virginia State Police Department revealed that Mary Washington College had the highest per capita crime rate and the most reported rapes among Virginia's public four-year colleges in 1995.

The statistics were based on the 1994-95 enrollment figures. The Virginia-Pilot of Norfolk calculated the crime rate for 1000 students. There were about 3700 students enrolled at Mary Washington College and a total of 153 crimes reported during that school year, which averages to 41 crimes per 1000 students.

Mary Washington College had seven reported rapes by a third party, which was the highest in the state that year, George Mason was second with five reported rapes.

However, the study also indicated that Mary Washington College, at 29.41 percent, is second highest in percentage of crimes cleared. Only Clinch Valley College has a higher percentage rate, with 38.46 percent.

Campus Police Chief Greg Perry said, "Everyone is ignoring that we were second in the state in clearing our crime. Statistics can be interpreted many ways, but nobody wants to look at all the statistics as they are combined. Another issue is the number of violent crimes that are reported. We weren't number one at all in the number of violent crimes."

Violent crimes consist of forcible rape and aggravated assault. Mary Washington was ranked fourth in violent crimes, with 11 reported incidents. The College of William and Mary had the highest rate with 23 violent crimes, two being rapes.

Ronald Singleton, vice president of college relations and legislative affairs, said that the numbers don't lie, but they do depend on how they are interpreted.

"Our school reports everything, including third party reports on rape. Some schools may not report everything. In fact Virginia Tech is in a lawsuit and under investigation by the US Dept. of Education for underreporting crimes," said Singleton.

"It is the interpretation of numbers and the way different schools choose to report the information. We are very diligent about reporting and we take great pride in that."

-Marjorie Poeyck,
executive vice president

activity. The amount of actual crime is unknown," Olson said.

Marjorie Poeyck, executive vice president, also said interpretation may be the problem.

"It is the interpretation of numbers and the

way different schools choose to report the information. We are very diligent about reporting and we take great pride in that. We don't like it when it results the way it has but that doesn't take away from the honesty of the report."

Associate Professor Joan Olson, chair of the department of sociology who specializes in criminology, agrees with Singleton.

"You never know the differences of how the police handle cases in different cities and the differences in how often people report crime. Statistics are measures of police

confidence and ability in their police department to not only solve their problems but also take care of their respected needs, then they are going to report. They are not going to have any apathy; they are going to

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Holy Rollin' At MWC

By Tamara Morse
Bulletin Staff Writer

Armed with the Old Testament, suspender, a Dole/Kemp-slickered suitcase and a list of Supreme Court free speech decisions, Jim Gilles took Mary Washington community members by storm last week.

Gilles, a non-denominational, un-ordained preacher, visited the campus on Oct. 10, 11, and 18 to preach testimony to the sinning college students of Mary Washington.

Dean of Students Bernard Chirico said that the administration allowed Gilles to speak on campus after he received verbal authorization from a number of administrators including Conrad Warlick, Chirico, and Marjorie Poeyck.

"Executive Vice President Marjorie Poeyck made the decision on the first day and decided that [Gilles] could speak on campus as long as he was not disruptive," said vice president for college relations and legislative affairs Ronald Singleton.

Although Gilles caused controversy, according to police Lieutenant Susan L. Collins, he did not break any laws.

"We were told by administration that he had permission to speak and that we were to stand by. Basically, to make sure that the situation didn't get out of hand," Collins said.

As long as Gilles did not interrupt classroom instruction, the college decided not to intervene in his sermon.

"The college can take action against any program that interrupts the educational process. We are first and foremost a learning institution. We can't let things take place that interrupt the learning process," said Singleton

Much to many students' dismay, Gilles had the legal right to be on campus. Protected under the First Amendment to the Constitution, Gilles was within his legal rights to speak publicly, according to Singleton.

Singleton presently serves on a subcommittee of the Executive Cabinet that is currently drafting a policy on how to extend the college's Freedom of Expression guidelines. The present guidelines are listed in the Faculty Handbook.

The handbook was adopted by the faculty and Board of Visitors in 1987, and has policies that address speakers or visitors that are invited to the campus by college community.

The subcommittee was organized to create policy for people that are not invited by a campus organization or community member.

The current legislation says: "Speakers, public performers, artists and other guests invited by the institution and/or by recognized student, faculty, and institutional organizations shall be protected from any form of censorship or disruption, and shall be afforded the same freedom of expression in the chosen medium as is guaranteed members of the Mary Washington College community."

Elements of the new policy will include a point of contact on campus for anyone who wants to express his or her views; a request to speak application; and limitations to when and where the person can speak.

Singleton explained that the speaker request form would provide information such as name, address, where the speaker would like to appear, and for how long they want to speak. The college police could serve as the point of contact for a speaker.



Photo by Kelly Regan

Putting on a show for perplexed and outraged MWC students, Brother Jim preaches his own gospel.

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Different Charges, Same Verdict Handed Down

By Mark Cancellieri
Bulletin Staff Writer

On Sept. 26, Anthony Trus, the former Mary Washington College student who achieved prominence last semester after being publicly accused of raping a female student on campus, was cleared of computer charges made by Mary Washington College officials in Fredericksburg General District Court.

The computer trespass case was continued for one year, however, the charge was suspended because of a joint request by the Commonwealth of Virginia's attorney and the defense. According to Louis Lowery, the Commonwealth's attorney for the case, this is a customary procedure in which the Court does not have to enter a finding or ruling. The procedure instead acts like a warning.

The case began at the end of Spring Semester 1996, when college officials alleged that someone had cracked into the college's computer network. Ernest Ackermann, associate director of academic computing at Mary Washington College, was the first to be aware that there was a problem with the computer system.

"I noticed an unusual activity that seemed to be slowing the system down," he said.

Ackermann is able to determine who is logged-on and using the computer system at all times. He concluded that the problems were related to a particular student. He observed that Trus had been logged-on to the network for an unusually long period and seemed to be connected with the sluggishness that the network was experiencing.

Ackermann did not comment on what the problems specifically involved, but said that the student's actions were illegal, and in violation of the Virginia Computer Crimes Act. According to Ackermann, Trus had been attempting to alter the structure of the college's computer network.

Ackermann presented the information to Tim Law, director of network services, who then alerted Mary Washington College Police. Lieutenant Richard Knick, the investigating officer with the Mary Washington College Police, charged Trus with computer trespass on May 3, one day before the end of final exam week.

Computer trespass, a first degree misdemeanor, involves the use of a computer network without authority and with the intent to cause a malfunction. Knick refused to comment on how the police had concluded that Trus was responsible for the crime or how they were able to

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Photo by Kim Ranney

Don't worry, he's not hurling off the side of the RV-just enjoying Mary Washington's annual homecoming weekend. The day, although chilly, proved a success for all those who came out.

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Police Beat

By Chevonne Bray
Bulletin Staff Writer

MISC.

• On Oct 10, there was a fire alarm in Mason Hall. The cause of the alarm was beer burning on a stove.

• On Oct 10, there was a police information report made concerning James Gilles. Apparently Gilles had no authorization to speak on campus.

• On Oct 11, a vehicle was stuck in the mud at the Battleground.

• On Oct 11, there were two complaints filed against James Gilles for his use of abusive language against some students.

LARCENY

• On Oct 9, some tools were stolen from Brompton Barn. The tools are worth \$120.

DIP/DUI

• On Oct 12, Gale Hogue a resident of Fredericksburg was arrested at College Ave. and William St. for DUI.

• On Oct 13, Sean Walsh of Locust Grove was arrested at William St. and Sunken Rd. for DUI.

• On Oct 13, Homer Hostetter of King George was charged with habitual offender at the intersection of College Ave. and Route 1.

Senate Beat

By Jeremiah Stoddard
Bulletin Staff Writer

Senate was canceled this week due to a power failure that rendered Monroe 104 without light. However, several committees are continuing to work on various projects. Remember, non-Senators can participate on Senate committees.

Plus/minus was the main topic of discussion in the last Senate meeting. Kate Luifs, president of

the Senate, reported that there is really "nothing we can do" to prevent the new system from being implemented. She suggested that the Senate could appeal the vote by going to President Anderson for a direct veto, or asking the BOV to overturn the decision. However, neither of these are likely to happen, according to SGA president Elise Balkin.

The Amphitheater Committee is still looking for dedicated students to help in the struggle to save the condemned, yet historic, structure. If

you are interested, contact Blaine Ashworth.

The Dining Hall Committee is also looking for new members who are upset about the food service, have suggestions, or are just interested in the committee. Contact committee chairman Chris Hitzelberger for more information.

Senate will meet next Wednesday at 5 p.m. in Monroe 104. Just a reminder: Senate is open for anyone to sit in on and observe.

News Briefs

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

• The 12th annual Ghostwalk, sponsored by the Preservation Club, will be held on Nov. 1-2. Tours start at 6 p.m. behind the Fredericksburg Area Museum and run every 10 minutes until 9 p.m. Ticket prices are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children over 10 years old, Mary Washington College students and senior citizens. Reservations are required and end Oct. 27. Please call 654-1315 for reservations. Questions? Call Liz Weaver at 371-8889.

• The Free Lance-Star is offering a scholarship to students interested in journalism. If interested, contact the Mary Washington College office of financial aid at X6428.

• Student Government Association

is forming a "Police Department Relations Committee" to work with the campus police department and students in an effort to discuss and alleviate conflicts within the community. Applications can be picked up and dropped off at the SGA office. Any Questions? Contact SGA president Elise Balkin at X1150 or X3467.

• The Community Relations Senate Committee will be sponsoring family oriented movies open to the campus and community. These include:

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame" on Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 17 at noon.

Those interested in attending the films are encouraged to bring canned goods, which will be donated to local charities.

• Into the Streets needs volunteers for Saturday, Oct. 26. Contact the COAR office for any of these activities, 654-

1122, 654-1804.

• English as a Second Language classes meet each Monday and Wednesday. Volunteer from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at James Monroe High School, room 208. Contact Laura, 373-6510.

EXHIBITS

• "A Voice Above the Crowd: James Monroe in a Complex Society, 1880-1830"; James Monroe Museum, 908 Charles St.; 9 to 5 everyday; Free admission with MWC ID.

• "Champions of Modernism: Non-objective Art of the 1930s and 40s and Its Legacy"; Ridderhof Martin Gallery and DuPont Gallery; Sept. 6-Nov. 3; Mon., Wed., Fri. 10-4 p.m. and Sat., Sun. 1-4 p.m.; Closed on Tues. and Thurs.

Student Discovers An Unwanted (Naked) Visitor

NOVA Student Surprises A Jefferson Hall Resident

By LaRose Fore
Bulletin Staff Writer

On Aug. 29, one Mary Washington sophomore got a special surprise in her Jefferson dorm room. Jessica Rhodes, ready to go to sleep at 4 a.m., found a naked man lying in her bed.

She immediately contacted her resident assistant, Marliese Milson, and together they contacted the Mary Washington College police. According to Rhodes, the police found the man's clothes in another room and waited until he was dressed before removing the man, John Frazier of Manassas, from Rhodes' room.

According to Rhodes, Frazier entered the dorm with some Mary Washington College women that he met at an off-campus party. When the women that he came with left to attend another party, Frazier went to use the restroom, and on the way back he wandered into Rhodes' open door by accident and fell asleep on her bed.

According to Lieutenant Richard Knick of the Mary Washington College Police, however, Frazier walked into the dorm behind someone who lived in Jefferson. The student who let him in assumed that Frazier was also a resident. Frazier casually walked around the dorm until he stumbled upon a party.

He stayed for awhile at the party and then wandered down the hall to an empty room, where he undressed and crawled into bed. He later walked down the hall and entered another unlocked room, where he passed out and was later found by Rhodes. Frazier was charged with Drunk in Public and was barred from campus.

Rhodes said she was shocked to Frazier in her bed.

"I walked into my room from a party late that night and, since my roommate was asleep, I decided not to cut on the light. Then I walked to my bed and reached for my pajamas but I did not find them. Instead I touched someone's leg. I just thought that it was one of my friends playing a trick on me, but then I felt some hair and

then I flipped out," Rhodes said. She immediately contacted her RA, Milson.

"She came into my room and asked to call 911," said Milson. "I knew then something was wrong. After I established what had happened we went back down to her room and called the police."

According to Milson, she let Rhodes make the call from her room so that they could keep an eye on the guy. The police arrived and arrested him.

"I remember then asking him where he was and he replied NOVA (Northern Virginia Community College). At that point I knew he was drunk," said Milson.

Rhodes said, "The weirdest thing about the whole situation is that my roommate slept through the entire ordeal."

"At first, after the incident, I slept downstairs in the lobby because I could not think of touching my sheets, much less than changing them. After about three days I decided to get over it and go back to my bed," said Rhodes.

This incident brought about many questions in the minds of Residence Life officials, Mary Washington College Police, and the student body about how something like this could happen.

"The unusual thing about the situation is that there was no visitation during the time of the incident," said Keith Pepin, assistant director of Jefferson, Marshall and the five special interest houses. "Frazier just casually walked in and joined in a party with other students."

Rick Surita, assistant director of Residence Life, feels as though many students are entirely too trustworthy of the Mary Washington College society.

"Here at Mary Washington we have the honor code and the student body abides by it, but what the students have to realize is that the policy does not apply to the Fredericksburg and surrounding communities," said Surita.

According to Surita, the students have a tendency to feel as though nothing will happen to them in this little city of Fredericksburg. They rely too much on the honor and trust of

everyone.

Knick agrees with Surita in that, even though the school has desk aides to monitor who enters the dorms, the students should always be on the lookout for strangers.

"Since we have desk aides during the semester we depend on them to keep the dorms safe by making sure that all non-students or non-residents sign in with the proper identification and into a valid room," said Knick.

According to junior LaToya Clarke, many Mary Washington College desk aides feel their job is not hard. They rely on their ability to recognize students and non-students. She added that the 24/7 self-determination policy has not changed much in the system.

"As a desk aide I do not find my job hard. I just ask if they live here if I do not think they belong," said Clarke.

According to Surita, the best way to prevent these situations from occurring is for the students to always lock their doors and always be on the lookout for those who seem suspicious.

Pepin agrees that the campus students feel too comfortable in this area, as though nothing bad will happen to them.

"This campus feels very safe and secure because we have our own walls and our bubble, but to say that you are always safe is a relative term; no one is 100 percent, safe regardless of who or where you are," said Pepin.

According to Raymond Tuttle, assistant director of residence life, in the beginning of the semester many students are not sure who exactly lives in the dorms. Therefore, they have a tendency to trust everyone, but they need to be more careful about certain situations.

In order to prevent a lot of crimes that occur, students should feel comfortable in challenging those who appear suspicious, according to Pepin.

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Apart from physical set-backs, Anderson's thought processes have returned to normal. He has completed testing programs which indicate that both his memory and cognitive skills are excellent.

However, there are no long-term estimates for Anderson's return as

college president.

"Right now the doctor's don't want him to think about work and we don't want him to either. We want him to get better," said Poysk.

It is fortunate for Mary Washington College that 1997 is not a budget year in the Virginia General Assembly, according to Poysk.

Anderson is usually actively involved with negotiations to secure funds for the college from Richmond. When the General Assembly meets this spring, Poysk expects that Anderson will not be present to represent the college, but may participate through telephone calls to Assembly members.

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report the crimes to you," Perry said. Singleton agreed that Mary Washington students are encouraged to report any and all crimes, and that the campus police are diligent in investigating the reported crime.

Olson said that there were studies in larger communities that proved that, when the citizens trust in the police, reporting of crimes goes up. "He calls it a 'paradoxical statement' because trust leads to more reporting of crime, making it look like the crime rate has gone up. However, distrust of the police would result in fewer percentage of crimes reported, and the crime rate would appear lower."

Jennifer Gentry, a junior at Mary Washington, feels this connection with the campus police.

"I do believe that we are more willing to report crimes because the students do have a good relationship with the campus police," Gentry said.

However, some students do not agree.

Elise Balkin, student government president at Mary Washington, thinks the relationship between students and police officers can be enhanced.

"I wouldn't completely relate the good relationship of the students and the police officers together as the cause of the reporting of crimes. A relationship exists but there is always room for improvement. The Student Government Association has a group of students that will try to better the student and police relationship," said

Balkin.

Del Hagan, a senior at Mary Washington and head resident of Mason Hall, also believes the improvements are needed.

"I think there are a lot of mistakes made on both sides, the students and the police."

She believes that the new committee formed in the Student Government is a good idea and that it will help because, although she has had a lot of positive interaction with the police, she also knows other students that have had bad experiences.

Even though interpretations can be misconstrued, and an open relationship may exist between students and police, improvements have been made in recent years for safety.

Perry said that there are always areas that need to be looked at and upgraded. The police are constantly doing a self-evaluation and a security analysis of the campus.

"The college takes crime very seriously. We have done a lot to lessen crime. A few years ago we didn't have the emergency phones with the blue lights and now they are everywhere. We also offer the escort service for students going to and from places," said Singleton.

Despite these amenities, Gentry still doesn't feel it is safe.

"I really don't feel very safe at the college anymore. I've known some people that have been attacked and that really scares me. I'm really

hesitant about signing up for night classes now because I try to figure out how far it is away from my dorm so I don't have to walk really far. I definitely don't feel as safe as when I was a freshman," Gentry admitted.

Others, however, feel exercising caution is all that it takes.

Balkan said that she basically feels safe on campus but sometimes late at night she will call someone to tell them that she reached her destination. She said everyone should take logical precautions.

Amber Dunleavy, a senior at Mary Washington said, "I think the security is pretty good here and I think that we're not the highest in crime but the highest reported, since we have the police beat. I feel pretty safe here. I won't walk off campus without a group of people; I usually go in a group."

Hagan agreed.

"I feel safe at this campus. I walk around campus walk at night by myself and I don't feel any worries, but I don't walk on College Avenue or Sunken Road at night by myself," she said.

Kara Davis, freshman class council president, said that being ranked number one in crime does not frighten her but that it causes her to be more aware of what's going on around her.

"I believe orientation really helped. They talked about date rape and what to do. I think that I feel more safe here than if I went to a larger school and I always see the police

around at night," Davis said.

Bettina Phifer, a sophomore, said that she feels totally safe being at Mary Washington, in her dorm room and on campus.

Emily Sanderson, a senior commuting student at Mary Washington, said, "I feel completely safe at the college. I have a night class but it doesn't bother me at all to walk to my car. I use regular caution; I know crime is a possibility, but that crime report would not cause me to be anymore cautious than I already am."

Perry believes that the students feel safe on campus because the campus police are doing their job. He says that they are highly trained, highly efficient, and equipped officers.

He says that looking at the statistics alone can be misleading.

"I would rather have the victim of the heinous crime come forward to us because they know they are going to get the help they need. [It's better] than not coming to the police and having to deal with that situation alone," he said.

Poysk does not believe that the statistics reflect an alarming situation, because most of the figures relate to petty larceny and do not indicate a great threat to the students. She also said students will still want to come to Mary Washington.

"I don't think it's going to keep enrollment down or freshmen from wanting to come here. It's another one of those things that you have got to read beyond the headline and beyond

what the main message is and realize that there's more behind that headline," said Poysk.

Despite the headlines in newspapers that could have tarnished Mary Washington's reputation, Poysk maintains her support of the Mary Washington Police Department.

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Always lock your doors, and never go out again. Why, you may ask? Oh right, Mary Washington College has the highest per capita crime rate of all the schools in Virginia. Or at least that's what state police statistics say. According to them, MWC has the most crimes reported as well as the most rapes. And what's even more ridiculous is that UVA (that school over in Charlottesville) and VCU had no rapes reported. (Have you started laughing yet?)

Perhaps the problem stems from our strict adherence to the honor code here at MWC. For every pencil stolen there is a petty theft report, and for every accident or breakage of equipment there is a vandalism report. It is hard to believe that our campus of three thousand plus students are such hardhearted criminals.

Richmond, the murder, rape, crime capital south of the Mason Dixon had no rapes reported. Should we all transfer now? Could that report be any more misleading?

The truth of the matter is, in 1995, MWC had 154 crimes reported, 143 of which were property crimes. (i.e. larceny, burglary, arson, car theft). So before you go out and purchase a firearm, take that into consideration. (Unless you are so uptight that when someone steals your pencil you feel the need to resort to violence).

So tell your parents to stop worrying and calling every five minutes to make sure you're alive.

And to all those non-MWC students who think that this place is a breeding ground for crime, you should be so lucky as to live on such a safe campus.

Visitation Causes Dismay

A question: what is the difference between the people in Russell Hall and the people in, say, Jefferson or Willard? The answer is nothing. They are all MWC students, all living under the honor code, and all living under the rules of the college. Why is it, then, that we have to leave our I.D.s to visit friends in Jefferson Hall, but not in Russell Hall?

To be honest, the whole building sign-in policy is a big pain. Many, many students break the honor code every day by not signing in when they visit friends, and this is because it's such a hassle to do so. We must constantly worry about our I.D.s getting locked up, or forgetting to take them with us when we leave.

The system doesn't even work, as desk aides can never really know who lives in their building of 200 or more students. It is so ineffective that it is incredibly easy for students to avoid, and so many do so and thus break the honor code again and again.

So what's the point of this archaic system? Safety? If there are dangerous students on campus, then making them sign in at the front desk isn't going to protect anyone. If we can't get the card-key safety doors that every other school in Virginia has, then maybe we should reform our system so as to make only non-students sign-in. As I say, this doesn't ensure much safety, but it would save the student a big hassle.

After all, shouldn't MWC students have free access to our own buildings? If a desk aide doesn't recognize a student from another building, then that student can simply flash their I.D. and then keep it themselves. If the person happens to be a non-student, then they can leave their I.D. and sign-in. That's basically what we do in Goodrich Hall, and it has worked well there for years. This would save everyone on campus a whole lot of time and trouble.

White Ribbons Teach Men Responsibility

By Chris Kilmartin
Guest Columnist

I want to take you back to October of last year. It was the second annual White Ribbon Campaign to end men's violence against women.

Somewhat by coincidence, there were quite a few different ribbons on people's lapels that week. I recall red AIDS ribbons and purple Domestic Violence Month ribbons.

I also recall that there was an editorial in the Bulletin that criticized all of the well-meaning people who ran these awareness campaigns, saying that, after all, anybody can wear a ribbon; they are empty gestures for guilty people who want to be politically correct; ribbons don't change anything.

Students of the social sciences and those of argument and logic should recognize that the question of whether ribbons do anything or not is an empirical one, i.e., a question that can only be answered by doing research and finding out if there is any evidence for or against claims that one makes about such matters.

How did the Bulletin know that ribbons don't do anything? They don't, of course. They were taking a guess and presenting it as fact. They cited no evidence to support this claim.

Last fall, Bernie Chirico and I



Cartoon by David McKim

undertook a research project to see if our White Ribbon Campaign was, in fact, an empty gesture, or whether it had a measurable effect in changing people's knowledge and attitudes about men's violence against women.

A few weeks before the campaign, we distributed

questionnaires to a large sample of students.

Several weeks after the campaign, we asked these same students to fill out the same questionnaire a second time. We also collected data from students who had not filled out the survey a first time, because we wanted to see if the act of filling out the questionnaire

first time would affect answers a second time around (it did not).

Senior Michael Leemann helped us with the data analysis.

Guess what? On the post-campaign questionnaire, students correctly answered significantly more

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Students Respond to Religious Attacks On Campus

By Jeremiah Stoddard
Guest Columnist

The second coming of Christ appeared to the alleged whores and whoresongers of MWC in the unusual image of Brother Jim last week. He graced our campus with his incoherent mix of hatred and scripture, inciting rage and confusion among the student body.

The self-proclaimed preacher travels the country, passing along his warped version of the Bible to college campuses. God's well-oiled machine made an unwelcome stop at MWC. Brother Jim claimed to be passing along the wisdom and teachings of Jesus Christ. Was he? For anyone who witnessed the blasphemy, Jim's religious wisdom and pontification is not apparent or easily grasped by the normal college student.

According to his pamphlet, he discovered Christ at a Van Halen

concert...while high on drugs. It was convenient that Van Halen was playing "Runnin' With the Devil" at the time. Can we take

Jim seriously? I would like to reject him as a crazed zealot. But I can't because of the fact that he exists, and there are other religious fanatics like him roaming the country, searching for an audience. Ralph Reed, Pat Robertson, Jerry Falwell, and Jimmy Baker are merely glossed-over versions of Brother Jim who also bring in millions of dollars each year.

He denounced everyone but the white Puritan male, proclaiming, in no particular order, that homosexuality is immoral, that all other religions

besides Christianity are wrong, that women will never be equal to men, and that all other races are inferior to whites. Did Jimbo just get off the Nazi express?

"Brother Jim has given us an opportunity to explore ourselves, digress into our own consciences, and explore our own value systems."

He is a close cousin of Arthur Dimmesdale? Is he branding MWC with a scarlet letter?

Brother Jim even stated that Catholics were cannibals because during Communion, they eat the body and blood of Christ. This, to Jim, is a Dahmer-esque crime.

Other branches of Christianity such as Baptism and Methodist are "evil" and "non-Christian."

When asked what branch of Christianity he was, he meekly pointed his

body at the sky, inferring that he absorbed Jesus's teaching directly.

How many students silently agreed with his intolerance and hate? How many students would remain silent on the issue of accepting homosexuality if they were not given a fanatic to react to? How many students would denounce his hatred if not given the opportunity? Not many.

Brother Jim has given us an opportunity to explore ourselves, digress into our own consciences, and explore our own value systems. We, as a student body, should not avoid dealing with these issues.

These issues specifically concerning rape, homosexuality and rape.

Are girls who wear short skirts asking to be raped? What gives one person the right to justify a vulgar and unwanted attack on another, sexually

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Letters to the Editor

Jim Gilles Stirs Up Controversy

Several of us who heard Brother Jim Gilles speak are concerned that the various points which he considered to be spiritual truths might be confused with the teachings of biblical Christianity.

This is especially a concern because of the way in which Brother Jim seemed to personally attack individuals in his audience with harsh judgment.

We, as students and Christians, admit that sin is very real and that there is not right with the world, but there are a few things which we feel Brother Jim failed to express.

Several times he denounced "rock-and-roll freaks" and particular styles of clothing.

However, the Bible clearly says that "The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)

Sin is not in the things we wear or the music we listen to; it is the rebellion of our hearts and wills against God.

When we understand this biblical description of sin, we will be able to grapple with the real problems that hurt ourselves, our world, and our relationship with God.

This understanding also warns us of the pitfall of self-righteousness, since sin taints everyone, not just particular categories of people and habits that we might find distasteful.

Christians, too, struggle with the corruption of sin in their lives, a truth

which Brother Jim might not have made clear enough.

However, the purpose of the gospel is not only that we might live free from sin and death, but that our relationship with the living God might be restored.

We were created to enjoy the wonder and beauty of the holy God of the universe and to experience real relationships with one another.

The tragedy of sin is that our rebellion closed our hearts to God and to each other, and that in our sin we are helpless to change our condition.

The miracle of the gospel is that the same God whom we rejected loved us so much that he sent his Son to pay the price for our sin by his death, and, in his Son's resurrection from the dead, he opened the way to new life.

We don't want to make the mistake of judging Brother Jim for judging other people.

If you happened to have heard him speak, please don't assume that he has the final word on Christianity.

God encourages us to seek out the truth for ourselves, and promises that we will find it when we seek it with all our hearts (Jeremiah 29:13).

And it is the truth—the truth which we are convinced is found and embodied in the love and the person of Christ—that will set us free.

Ken Stout, Emily Ballester, Nathan Clarke, Matt Murray, Trisha Miller, Renee Adair

Student Retracts False Accusation

I am writing in reference to the letter published in the September 27, 1996 issue of the Bulletin.

In the article, I had written that a group of guys who live in the house on the corner of Sunken Road and William Street had harassed me at a previous time, and that was the reason I had been running by their house on the evening that I was arrested.

The truth of this matter is that I have been harassed by a group of guys that live in that area, but it was a couple of years ago, and it was not this house in particular.

Therefore, I would like to formally apologize to the guys who live in that house. I don't want the student body to be afraid of walking by this house because these guys were not in any way involved.

Again, I apologize for the wrongful addressing of the source of the harassment.

Alexis Kingham
junior

Financial Aid Responds to Need

This letter is in response to a letter to the editor on Sept. 25.

As stated in the financial aid brochure: "Through comprehensive programs of grants, scholarships, loans and student employment from federal, state, institutional and private resources, the financial aid office strives to assist applicants with aid sources to pay for college expenses."

The brochure goes on to state: "The primary responsibility of financing a college education must be assumed by parents and the student."

Financial assistance from the College should be viewed as supplemental to the efforts of the family."

Each fall the financial aid office sends all enrolled degree-seeking

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FEATURES



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Current students and alumni enjoyed tailgating at the Battleground while catching up on the latest news.

Tailgating Tops Off MWC Homecoming

By Kelly Garrett
Bulletin Staff Writer

Regardless of the fact that police officers had to reprimand students for urinating in the bushes at the Battleground, Mary Washington's homecoming was a success once again. The threatening rain clouds in the sky did not put a damper on the spirit of the day's festivities.

"Homecoming seemed to be a really spirited function. I've never seen so many people rooting for their school at one time," said freshman Diana May.

On Oct. 19, the men's soccer game kicked off the day at 1 p.m. However many students congregated at the Battleground even earlier. The intense game, which led to a 1-0 victory over Salisbury State University, increased the lively character of the crowd.

Freshman Kelly Coffey, a member of the men's soccer team, said that the atmosphere was incredible.

"I had never played in front of that many

people before. Everyone was nervous, even the guys who have played here for a couple of years," Coffey said.

The men's rugby team did not have as much success in their alumni game, which they lost 21-0. However freshman James Lewis said playing in the homecoming game was still a positive experience.

"Other than being an opportunity for the alumni rugby players to compete at their alma mater, the game functioned as a way for us to prepare for the Ed Lee tournament we're participating in next weekend. Right now, things are looking good, and I feel we've got a chance to go a long way," Lewis said.

Tailgating was a popular sport among the crowd. Kegs sat in the backs of parked cars, and most people were not without a cup of beer in their hands. Freshman Michael Clark said he was surprised to see the police officers' reactions to the crowd.

"The cops were cool as long as you didn't cross the street or relieve yourself anywhere other than the appropriate facility. I was glad

they were there to make sure things weren't out of control while they still let everyone have a good time," Clark said.

MWC seniors enjoyed their last homecoming experience as students of the college. Senior Erica Van Covenor said she wished homecoming happened more often.

"Homecoming is one of the social highlights of the fall semester. MWC should start tailgating every weekend," Van Covenor said.

Senior Amy Szczepanski had fun tailgating and watching the women's rugby game.

"There was so much momentum during the game because we played [the University of Virginia]. Because we won, the team is now number one going into the tournament. It was weird to stand there and think that next year my friends and I will be alumni at homecoming," Szczepanski said.

Alumni of Mary Washington, particularly a significant number of 1996 graduates, were

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American In Senegal Unearths Cultural Roots

By Amy Lin
Bulletin Assistant Features Editor

Senior Anthony Wester fell in love with Senegal as soon as the plane touched the runway.

"I loved it; nothing equals it so far in my life. ... In my heart, it wasn't as if I was leaving home; I was going back home," Wester said.

He participated in a University of Minnesota internship and directed study from Jan. 9 to June 10 in Dakar, the capital of Senegal.

Wester is majoring in international affairs with a concentration in French. He said he chose to study in a French-speaking African country rather than in Paris.

"Given that I am a black man, I decided to go where I could practice my French and absorb some of my lost culture," he said.

According to Wester, his family has roots in western Africa although he was born in Washington D.C. His great-great-grandmother was from the Fulani tribe from Guinea, the country that borders Senegal to the south.

"The Senegalese embraced me as a relative returning home. ... I really enjoyed that entire spirit the whole time I was there," he said.

According to Wester, the black Senegalese treated him differently from how they treated white Americans.

"They were incredibly nice to everyone, but with me there was that added notion of brotherhood," he said.

According to junior Selamawit Legesse, an Ethiopian friend of Wester's, black African society is family and community-oriented whereas American society is individualistic.

According to Legesse, an American like Wester should adjust easily to Senegal because most Africans are so friendly and hospitable.

"It would be harder for a person coming from Africa to here," Legesse said.

According to Wester's friend sophomore Hermence Matsotsa, who is from Gabon, Dakar resembles any American city.

"It's constantly busy. There's traffic, people walking, constant noise, constant motion. Dakar's a beautiful city; I've been there," Matsotsa said.

According to Wester, the eight participants in the program at Dakar built their internships around their own interests. Some participants dealt with women and child care, family planning and pottery. Wester worked with the city's judicial system.

Wester said he had difficulty adjusting to the lepers and severely deformed people who begged for money in the streets of Dakar.

Wester remembered when some of the

female participants in the program left the hotel to survey the area and returned in tears.

"For a lot of people, [the beggars] are really, really unnerving. ... [The girls] couldn't take it. They couldn't absorb the fact that so many people were in need," he said.

Matsotsa said the beggars targeted Wester and the other participants because of the stereotype of American wealth.

"If [the beggars] know that you're American, they're going to try to get as much money as they can from you, thinking that you're rich," Matsotsa said.

According to Wester, a strong colonial French influence reigns in Senegal although blacks run the government.

He said that segregation exists in the schools and in public transportation. For example, the buses for blacks were made for to 65 people, but they sometimes transport 200.

"[The people] are crowded together, smashed against the window, hanging out looking like sardines. It was horrible," Wester said.

According to Wester, the intense heat makes it worse. The Senegalese cannot use the French buses, which are air-conditioned and which have plush seats for everyone, even the children.

Some Senegalese customs were hard for Wester to accept at first. At mealtimes, everybody sits around a central bowl and eats only with the right hand, Wester said.

"The left hand is used for hygiene purposes," he said. "That is simply to say that toilet tissue is a luxury in Senegal."

Wester took toilet paper with him when he went to Senegal. When his supply ran out, he resorted to taking toilet paper from companies downtown, he said.

According to Wester, there was a week in February when he was weakened by malaria, dysentery, vertigo and a bad case of diarrhea. However his host father, who was a doctor, cured him in three days.

The Office of International Studies helped direct him to the Minnesota Studies in International Development Program, Wester said.

Participants in the program take preparatory courses at the University of Minnesota for one semester before they go abroad. Wester said he enrolled in cultural awareness, international development and French courses. He also studied Wolof, the native language of Senegal.

Wester had no communication problems in Senegal because he was fluent in French, the country's official language. He started learning French in ninth grade. He loves the language, he said.

According to Matsotsa, Wester's French improved greatly after his semester

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Forum To Frame Political Discussion Of '96 Election

By Jenine M. Zimmers
Bulletin Features Editor

As the 1996 election approaches, the Mary Washington community can jump into the spirit of politics by attending MWC's political forum on Oct. 30.

The forum, entitled "Campaign '96: An Electoral Forum," is sponsored by Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society. The event is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall.

The format will be a 15 minute presentation by three faculty members in the political science department. A question and answer period from the audience will follow the three presentations.

Senior Luke Sharra, president of Pi Sigma Alpha, said he believes the forum will be beneficial for two main reasons.

"We want to promote the honor society and we want to inform the campus of some political issues that are more difficult to understand," Sharra said.

Stephen Farnsworth, instructor of political science and one of the three presenters, plans to talk about the role of the media in the upcoming election. Farnsworth said the "horse race coverage" that the media uses does not allow for adequate coverage of the actual issues.

"I think the media can tell us too much about who's ahead and who's behind and not enough about what [the candidates] would do as president," said Farnsworth, who served as a reporter for the Kansas City Star for 10 years.

"In this particular election that's a real problem because Dolch has always been so far behind," he added. Farnsworth is the faculty adviser of Pi Sigma Alpha.

Distinguished Professor of political science Lewis Fickett, also a participant in the forum, plans to focus on the significance of the congressional race and whether or not the democrats will be able to regain control.

"I think in some ways the congressional election will be the most interesting because it's the most uncertain," Fickett said. "I think the democrats will succeed in retaking the house but they will not be able to retake control of the senate."

Fickett, who served for four years in the house of delegates for Richmond and was a congressional candidate in 1978, said the three faculty members will not be speaking about their own personal political views.

"I'm approaching this not as a democratic activist, but as a political scientist. I will be as

objective as possible in trying to analyze the trend of things," Fickett said.

The third presenter will be Victor Fingerhut, associate professor of political science. Fingerhut is scheduled to speak about the overall status of the presidential race. Due to a leave of absence, Fingerhut was unavailable for comment.

John Kramer, distinguished professor of political science and international affairs, played a role in the organization of the forum. Kramer said he believes the three faculty members will be strong presenters.

"Each has a unique expertise in the subject, so not only are we trying to inform people but we are trying to inform people with individuals who really know what they're talking about," said Kramer, who is also chairman of the international affairs and political science departments.

Sharra agreed that the selection of the three faculty members has set the grounds for a highly informative event.

"The three speakers are all knowledgeable in their field and it's a good way to inform the campus electorate," he said.

"We want to promote the honor society and we want to inform the campus of some political issues that are more difficult to understand."

- senior Luke Sharra, president of Pi Sigma Alpha



file photos

Faculty members of the political science department Lewis Fickett and Victor Fingerhut (top to bottom) are two of the three speakers presenting at the political forum on Oct. 30. Together with Stephen Farnsworth (not shown), the presenters will explain three different aspects of the '96 election.

The forum is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall.



Amy Lin/Bulletin

Senior Anthony Wester is back at MWC, but he continues to wear the Senegalese attire he acquired in Dakar.

Credit Card-Carrying Students Drown In Debts

By Kim Anderson
Bulletin Staff Writer

Senior Anne Simpson never dreamed that when she got her first credit card two years ago, she would still be paying it off now.

"I got my first credit card when I was 20 years old; an application came in the mail. I meant to use it only for emergency use, but that quickly changed. It's convenient to have and when you're a student, you just don't have a lot of money," Simpson said.

Simpson reached the \$1,000 credit limit and had to work for a summer to pay it off. However, she said the bill has crept back up again.

"I always heard horror stories about students charging thousands of dollars on their credit cards, and I vowed that would never be me, but I still became hundreds of dollars in debt," she said.

According to Ruth Susswein, executive director of Bankcard Holders of America, a nonprofit credit education group based in Salem, Va., stories such as Simpson's are very common.

In 1995, credit card issuers mailed out a record 2.7 billion solicitations for new applicants, Susswein said. More than 80 percent of college students and 32 percent of high school seniors have at least one credit card in their names.

Susswein said that one of the major problems for students with credit cards is that they only make the minimum payments.

The typical balance on a major credit card is \$1,900, and the typical minimum payment is 2 percent, with an 18 percent interest rate, Susswein said.

If a student makes only the minimum payment on this balance, it would take 23 years to pay it off. Therefore an 18-year-old student would not pay off the balance until he is 41 years old. The student would pay \$4,097 in interest on \$1,900 worth of purchases, Susswein said.

Margaret Klayton, associate professor of business administration, agreed that credit cards are dangerous traps for students. Klayton said that one major problem associated with credit cards is that college students overcharge and then cannot make the minimum payments, which forced their parents to pay their debts.

"I think it's a sin that [credit card companies] issue these cards to students," Klayton said. "About once a semester, I am sent information from credit card companies to get my marketing students to promote credit cards on campus."

Klayton agreed with Susswein that interest rates are also a big problem. "When a student makes the minimum payments, the student is charged interest on the charges that the student hasn't paid off. Twenty-one percent

interest is really a lot. It's like the Mafia," Klayton said.

According to Klayton, the best thing a student can do with a credit card debt is go to the credit bureau and get professional help on managing finances. Klayton said that the bureau charges about \$50 a month for this service, but the bureau can negotiate with credit card companies to reduce interest charges, which could save a student thousands of dollars.

Klayton also said that students should be careful to read the fine print when applying for a credit card because a company will often advertise a low introductory interest rate. This low rate, usually around nine or ten percent, jumps to 18 percent to 20 percent after the first few months.

A new option for Mary Washington College students is the student-run Virginia Credit Union that opened on campus this fall. They offer the benefits of a credit union, including credit cards.

According to senior Zack Ward, who is co-manager of the credit union, students can get a special credit card with a \$500 to \$1,000 limit. The credit union also offers credit cards with limits up to \$10,000.

Approximately 850 new members have joined the credit union this year, Ward said. One hundred of these members have also gotten credit cards.

The requirements for the credit union's student visa credit card are simple, according to the credit union's pamphlet. Students do not need a co-signer, but they do need to fill out a section on their yearly income. The interest rate is a fixed 13.96 percent.

The pamphlet explains when students should use a credit card, such as buying books and furnishing apartments. The pamphlet also contains information on managing credit.

According to Ward, the credit union does not offer seminars on helping students to manage credit card debt, but they can counsel students individually.

Klayton, who is also on the advisory board for the Virginia Credit Union, said the requirements for getting credit cards may have to be adjusted if a lot of students start having problems with debt.

Freshman Patricia McClintock just received her student credit card from the credit union. McClintock is worried about getting into debt like her sister, who was \$1,300 in debt, she said.

"I'm really bad with money. I tend to use [the credit card] a lot when I shouldn't be. It's really convenient and I don't realize how much I'm racking up," McClintock said. "Every single time I see a credit card sign I think 'Oh, I can charge it.'"

McClintock chose the \$500 limit, so she could keep her charges under control.

"I told my dad I was getting a credit card, and he looked a little nervous, but my parents expect me to pay for it on my own," McClintock said.

"I always heard horror stories about students charging thousands of dollars on their credit cards, and I vowed that would never be me, but I still became hundreds of dollars in debt."

- Anne Simpson, senior

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also among the crowd. Bryan Eckle, who graduated from MWC last year, had the nostalgic experience of being back at his former school.

"It was great to come back to homecoming and see all my old friends. I'm looking forward to playing in the alumni game and destroying all my old teammates," Eckle said.

Homecoming is one of the more popular events at Mary Washington. Junior Clinton McCarthy said the uniqueness of the event is what made it so successful.

"Homecoming is one of the few times that students get the opportunity to get together as a community without the influence of the administration," McCarthy said.



Diana May/Bullet

Several MWC students cheer on the men's soccer team while enjoying a beer.

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in Senegal, but he acquired an African accent. Now he speaks French more naturally because grammar does not worry him.

"Before, he was speaking the French that was taught in school, and now he's more relaxed because he's speaking the French of the people themselves," Matsotsa said.

Not all students intend to improve their foreign language skills when they study abroad.

According to Constance Gianulis, director of International Programs, the most popular study abroad destination is the United Kingdom.

"I think any African destination, any far Eastern destination... [is] non-traditional. We commend students who endeavor to go to places like that," Gianulis said.

The number of students studying abroad is increasing. There are 34 this year. Some of the more uncommon destinations are Brazil, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic and Namibia, Gianulis said.

Gianulis believes that study abroad complements the MWC's philosophy of providing students with a well-rounded education.

According to Gianulis, students return from study abroad with an altered perspective. They have learned that other cultures are "different, not wrong." They have discovered that the U.S. is "not the center of the universe."

Senior Heather Holmes said Wester matured as a result of going

abroad. Now he is more caring and appreciative of life. Traveling expanded his views. The two of them became better friends after his return.

"I got the impression that he absolutely loved [Senegal]. I think if he didn't have to come back to school here, he wouldn't have," Holmes said.

Sophomore H.D. Dempsey is Wester's roommate in Brent Hall, the French house.

"You can just tell that he's really respectful of Africa and what it represents," Dempsey said.

Native African instruments decorate Wester's room. His closet is filled with native Senegalese garments.

"I really got into the swing of wearing the African attire when I went there," Wester said.

Wester intends to travel extensively after graduation. He will go to Ethiopia with Legesse and then return to Senegal.

He said he would like to open an American-style amusement center in Dakar. He plans to have a night club, a go-cart course, a movie theater, an electronic gaming area and American eateries.

Living in Africa gave him a feeling of completeness because it is where his people originated, Wester said.

"I don't think any black person will ever be complete until he has had the rich opportunity to visit Africa," he said.

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SPORTS

Sports Briefs

Bullet Player of the Week

Chris Wallace
Men's Tennis

Wallace won three matches this week to win the first annual Washington Fall Tennis Classic at Catholic University. Wallace defeated Jim Cooney of St. Mary's 6-4, 6-3 in the first round, and then outlasted Amit Jaipuriya of Carnegie-Mellon 6-1, 4-6, 7-5 to reach the finals. There he routed Navroze Marshall of Carnegie-Mellon 6-0, 6-2 to seal the championship. He also reached the finals in doubles with partner Tim Martin, losing 8-4 to Catholic University.

Recent Results

Women's Tennis

MWC lost a close one to George Mason this week, 5-4. Winning Eagles were Jaime Evans, Kelley Gallagher, and the doubles teams of Evans and Sarah Chase and Gallagher with partner Jyoti Schlesinger.

The news wasn't all bad, however, as the Eagles learned that Kirsten Erickson will be representing the Southeastern Region at the ITA/Rolax National Tournament this weekend in Memphis, TN. She competed last year in the national doubles tourney with her partner Leah Morris.

Volleyball

The MWC volleyball team played its way into the final of the Rochester Institute of Technology's weekend tournament, winning four matches in all. The Eagles defeated Bridgewater, St. Catherine, and Rutgers-Newark before losing to Illinois Wesleyan. MWC then defeated the hosts, RIT, in the semifinals before losing again to Illinois Wesleyan in the final.

All-tournament performers for MWC included Katie Forthofer and Hilary Clark. Forthofer had 51 kills and 18 blocks, while Clark had 191 assists.

On the season, MWC's Lisa Skaggs leads the CAC in attack percentage with a .251 average and is fourth with 2.9 kills per game. She is also second in blocks with 1.2 per game. Clark is second in assists with 9.0 per game, and second in aces with 0.9 per game. Forthofer is fourth in attack percentage, with a .275 average.

Women's Soccer

The Eagles were dominant this past weekend, blanking Shenandoah University 3-0 and Roanoke College 2-0. The Eagles are now 10-3-2 and ranked ninth nationally.

Leading the charge was senior Robin Kozic, who busted out with one goal against Shenandoah and both goals against Roanoke. Also playing well was freshman Anne Wenthe, who had a goal and an assist against Shenandoah and an assist versus Roanoke.

The wins were the 7th and 8th shutouts of the year, and the Eagles, led by goalkeeper Jen Koster, are closing in on the 1992 school shutout record of 13.

On the season, freshman Johanna Klein leads the team with 15 points (5 goals, 5 assists), followed by Wenthe, who has 14 points (6 goals, 2 assists).

Upcoming Events . . .

Women's Soccer

Oct. 26 at York College, 1 p.m.
Oct. 29 CAC Tournament/1st Rd., TBA

Men's Soccer

Oct. 26 at York College, 3 p.m.

Oct. 10 vs. Christopher Newport U. at the Battleground, 3 p.m.

Field Hockey

Oct. 26 vs. Messiah College at the Battleground, 1 p.m.
Oct. 29 CAC Tournament/1st Rd., TBA

Women's Tennis

Oct. 24-27 at ITA/Rolax National Championships at Memphis

Women's Volleyball

Oct. 26 at Salisbury St. University 1 p.m.
Oct. 29 at Lynchburg College 6 p.m.

Cross Country

Oct. 26 at Mason-Dixon Invitational at Cumberland, MD

Riding

Oct. 27 at George Washington U. Show

The Gun Gets Loaded at Homecoming

By Aaron Isaacson
Bulletin Staff Writer

Hundreds of highly intoxicated people, numerous kegs of beer, and a feeling of excitement loomed in the air. A Division-I football game you might ask? No sir, this was Mary Washington College's Homecoming and the men's soccer team made it a joyous one as they defeated Salisbury State 1-0 on Saturday at a crowded and festive Battleground.

The Eagles were fired up for the game and the chance to fire in front of hundreds of students and alumni. Freshman forward Randy Scott found out quickly what all the fuss about Homecoming was for.

"It was a one of a kind experience. The

older players talked about how exciting it is to play on Homecoming, but it still didn't prepare for once you got on the field and saw and heard all those people cheering you on."

The Eagles' feeding off their adrenaline came out firing in the first ten minutes of the game as junior forward Jason Fusaro and sophomore forward Jay Harter just missed putting away scoring chances. After this period of aggressive offensive play, the Eagles settled into a defensive mode yet kept the ball moving around the field with uncanny precision on a field that was choppy due to rain the night before. Both teams had numerous

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Photos by Kim Ranney/Bullet

The men's soccer team downed Salisbury State University on Saturday (above), while scores of students downed beer after beer (left).

New Hoops Coach Has High Hopes

By Josh VanDyck
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

After two months of searching, Mary Washington finally has a new men's basketball coach. Rod Wood will take over coaching duties this season on a one-year interim basis, with the school having the option of retaining him after this season. Wood replaces the controversial Tom Davies, who departed in August following an on-campus firestorm over the team's poor performance in recent years.

The new coach takes over a program that has been simply awful since 1986, with no winning seasons or even 10-win seasons during that span. The situation reached its nadir last season when several players announced that they would not be returning unless a change of coaches was made. Now the administration has made that change, and most of the players who

threatened to leave are coming back.

Wood, 33, is a graduate of Randolph-Macon College, where he was a four-year starter at point guard. Before that he played on Robt. E. Lee High School's 1981 Virginia state title team, defeating a team led by Buffalo Bills star Bruce Smith in his final game. After graduating from Randolph-Macon, he spent two years as a high school assistant coach before starting a fitness management firm, which he ran for seven years. Most recently he was an assistant coach at Lake Braddock High School.

Wood may seem inexperienced for a college coaching job, but experience isn't always black and white. Randolph-Macon, under the well-respected Hal Nunnally, has become something of a basketball coaching factory in recent

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File Photo

Caitlin McGurk hits the road.

Running to Nationals

By Julie Keefe
Bulletin Staff Writer

In the Virginia State Divisions II and III meet on October 12, both the men's and women's cross country teams ran extremely well.

Freshman Tiffany Snodgrass, with a time of 18:57.50 in the 5000-meters race, led the Eagle women to secure first place. Alongside her were veterans Caitlin McGurk and Becky Boyd, who placed fifth and seventh, respectively, and freshman Julie Rakowski, who placed sixth.

"Tiffany has been improving substantially and has been the top women's finisher in the last few meets," commented Coach Stan Soper.

The women's team has performed well despite the fact that eight out of the fourteen runners are freshmen.

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Seniors Lead Field Hockey

By Eric Gaffen
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

In the past four years, the Mary Washington field hockey team has experienced great success at all levels of their game. And in a leap year's time, two seniors have arrived, admired seasoned veterans, integrated their skills into the team, won, lost, and become what at first sight they admired.

Senior co-captains Charlotte Cockrell and Danielle Oleson have taken the leadership role from past players and made it their own on this year's squad.

Despite the disappointing 8-6 overall record (4-1 CAC), Oleson and Cockrell have led an inexperienced squad from early season woes (0-3) to their current second place status in the CAC. Coach Hall explains why their leadership has played such a key role in MWC's turnaround:

"In the past, Danny has been guided by an upperclassman (last year's graduated tandem of Amy Mann and Meredith Lerley) frontline. This year, she has had to direct the learning to other players."

"[Similarly for] Charlotte, she has stepped her play on the field not just in skill, but as a leader. Playing center midfielder, she acts as the quarterback of the team, redistributing the ball, and leading communications on the field."

Cockrell and Oleson's focus on the team before individual statistics is evident in their team-leading five assists each. While Cockrell maintains the general position on the field, directing the team's attacks, and receivers to aid the defense, Oleson's forward position dictates a more goal-oriented focus. She ranks second in the Capital Athletic Conference in scoring, and her

ten goals lead MWC.

Hall describes the effect Oleson has on opposing teams:

"She is a powerful player that opponents mark tightly and double-team on a regular basis. Danny still gets her goals, but the double-team allows her to re-direct the ball to open teammates."

Even though the 0-3 start might have nipped the national tournament bid chances in the bud barely a week into the season, you wouldn't know it from the team's attitude. Working hard on the fundamentals, playing as a cohesive unit, and focusing on one game at a time has propelled the team into the No. 14 ranking in the nation.

Future teams will benefit from Oleson and Cockrell's advice and

experience. As a result, this young squad should rebound next year. An example of what to look for next year can be seen by looking at MWC's stats sheet: from their 2-1 overtime victory over Bridgewater College. In the game, Freshmen Abbie Kissel and Molly Cheatum each tallied a goal, and fellow freshman Christine Jeffery assisted.

Unfortunately, the squad dropped a tough game at Lynchburg yesterday, 3-1, most likely eliminating any possibility of a national bid.

MW. Washington will be hosting their final regular home season game this Saturday vs. national 9 ranked Messiah College.

The road to the CAC Championship, and perhaps redemption for some disappointments this season, starts on Thursday at home, will most likely go through Salisbury State, a team that soundly trounced Mary Washington 4-1 a week-and-a-half ago.



Charlotte Cockrell



Danielle Oleson

Women's Rugby Topples UVA.

By Hellie Snyder
Bulletin Staff Writer

At high noon on Saturday, the women's rugby team faced their biggest game of the year. They came out with guns blazing and managed to smother the University of Virginia, 19-5. The team earned the top seed in the east in next week's Sandy Lee Tournament, which will determine the Virginia State Champion, by virtue of their win over UVA.

Virginia controlled the action in the opening minutes, but the squad quickly picked up the pace. After Jill Reilly narrowly prevented a try, team captain Karl Kulow booted a strong-side kick which was followed by a long run by senior Marielle Powell. After a maul was set into the UVA defense, senior Aron Lane stripped the ball and scored the first try of the game. The conversion failed, but the team led 5-0.

The team spent most of the next 20 minutes in their defensive zone. They held the Cavaliers at bay, but were unable to clear the ball. The Cavaliers tried to advance the ball with their forwards, and when they got the ball to their backs, Reilly and Kulow were

there for the tackle. Virginia did finally manage to score just before the half, but also failed to make the conversion, and the score was deadlocked 5-5 at halftime.

MWC came out strong in the second half and immediately scored on a long dash by wing Heather Walsh. "I don't really know how it happened," Kulow said. "I saw Marielle [Powell] go in to strip the ball. Somehow [Walsh] broke out of the side and ran. No one expected it. She scored without anyone even chasing her."

Following the try, Laney made the conversion to give them the lead for good, 12-5.

The game's final score was truly a team effort. Laney set up a ruck, and Jana Nuss n flipped a beautiful pass out o Kulow who popped it into o senior Julie Keefe. Keefe then fed Reilly, who drew the defenders just before discharging the ball to Powell, who handed it off to fullback Bridget Green. Green brought the ball into the try zone before passing it over to Walsh, who set the ball down for the try. Laney once again made the conversion to set the

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Zak Billmeier & Brian Schumacher

1. Michael Jordan

Enough already! Is it not enough that you already earn about 1000 times more than the Gross National Product of half the world? Apparently not. This past week commercials began to air pimping Jordan's latest endorsement — Michael Jordan Cologne. This is not a joke (as much as we wish it were).

Mike, you're one hell of a basketball player, but I'm afraid we're going to have to draw the line. Do your thing on the court, make a few commercials for Nike, Gatorade, Tampax, whatever — we don't care. But the world does not need your own fragrance.

Sure, maybe a lot of us would like to "Be Like Mike," but we sure as hell don't need to smell like him, too.

Finally the smell of greed and shameless self-promotion, captured in a bottle! Oh, the humanity.

2. Heath Shuler

Who? Never mind.

3. Jim Mora

The coach of the New Orleans Saints, and the man with the longest tenure of any coach in the NFL, just couldn't take it anymore and resigned this week.

Mora's resignation followed a post-game press conference on Sunday which was, well, let's just say not for the kids.

Among the numerous soundbites was that the team gave a "horseshit" performance and that the entire team wasn't worth (close your ears, kids) "diddy-poo-h." The Gun is pretty sure that this is the only time in the history of western civilization that someone has used both those synonyms for crap in the same conversation.

The Gun thinks Jim is a good guy and a pretty decent football coach. Good luck down at the unemployment office, Jim.

4. The World Series

Yes, it's that time of year again (whether or not anyone cares is another matter).

The Yankees vs. the Braves. Smoltz vs. Pettite. Chipper vs. Jeter (nah). What the hell kind of name is Chipper, anyway?

The Gun predicts that, in the words of Scarlett O'Hara, "The Yankees'll never take Atlanta."

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scoring chances, but the game remained scoreless as the half ended.

One of the main reasons that the Eagles went in to halftime not having been scored on was due to the continued great play of Eagles goalkeeper Jim Hummel.

"He made a couple of saves where he would be on one side of the goal and somehow get to the other post to stop a shot that surely seemed to be going in," said Scott of Hummel's acrobatics in goal.

The Eagles finally got on the board in the second half with about 15 minutes left in the game as junior forward Ryan Forbich headed in the lone goal of the game off a Scott corner kick.

"The Salisbury State defense was kind of disorganized. Randy saw this, too, so I just ran to the nearest and headed in Randy's cross before the defense could react," said Forbich.

Not only was Forbich excited to get the game-winner, but he said that it is every player's dream to score on Homecoming. "All week at practice, we talked about what any of us on the team would do if we scored. When I realized that I had just scored, I didn't know what to do, so I just turned around and started running towards my teammates."

Forbich, caught up in the moment, forgot about the age old tradition of Homecoming of running over to the

5. Harvey Grant

A woman in Portland, Oregon filed a lawsuit against the Washington Bullets forward this week.

According to the woman, who is a professional masseuse, Grant exposed himself to her during a massage and later asked her to perform sodomy.

Harvey, Harvey, Harvey. What would Brother Jim say?

6. Michael Irvin, Michael Irvin, Michael Irvin!

You want us to stop making fun of Michael Irvin? Okay, now that we're allegedly clean and sober, you're going to get your wish. We'll stop making fun of Irvin and America's team (well, for now).

We do harp on Michael Irvin a lot. But, we do consider him to be one of the top receivers in all of football. In that position, we expect him to be a role model, a guy our little brothers and their friends can look up to. What he does to get himself suspended is inexcusable. He didn't just make a mistake—he let down every kid who looks up to him, every kid who pretended he was Irvin when he caught a pass in a backyard, pick-up game, every kid who asked for an Irvin jersey for Christmas last year.

Forgive and forget? He wasn't Joe Smith from the local 7-11. He was Michael Irvin. He was the Playmaker. Now he's the guy who got busted with the whores and the Coke. The choice was his, and The Gun feels no compassion and no remorse.

Josh VanDyck's Quotes of the Week:

"I'm the best damn tight-end in the NFL."

—Baltimore Ravens tight-end and Liberty U. graduate Eric Green, obviously talking about someone else.

"I don't understand this whole Jeff George controversy. One time, I told Billy Joe Tolliver he was coming out of the game, and he told me I would have to fight him to get him out. So I said 'Okay, let's fight then. Let's go.'"

—FOX analyst Jerry Glanville.

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"We [freshmen] were unsure how we fared against other teams, and we felt separated from the upperclassmen and the men's team. Now we all get along great and have become very close, like best friends," states Rakowski.

Soper knew the team would have to work harder to overcome its lack of experience, but he is very impressed with how talented and dedicated his runners are.

"There are a lot of very talented freshmen on the team. We have a good combination of freshmen and veterans. Although the freshmen have made a big impact on the team, it takes everyone to work together to win. They have blended well and are a very excited team," said Soper.

This weekend the men and women will be competing in the Mason-Dixon Invitational meet. The Eagle women have won this meet the previous six years running and are hoping to continue their streak. The Eagles should face some stiff competition from Salisbury State, a CAC rival, but both the coach and the runners believe they will come out on top.

"Winning the VA State Division II and III meet was a big confidence-booster for us. As a team we all felt really confident. We only lost to Salisbury by one point the last time we faced them, so coach has been psyching us up for a win this time," stated Rakowski.

The women will then move on to the CAC Championships on Nov. 2, at which Salisbury again promises to be their toughest competition. The women have won the CAC title the last five years and are aiming to keep the title.

The men's cross country team has also won the CAC title each of the last five years and are favored to be the winners this year as well.

Seniors Jon Gates and Justin Gerbereux led the team in the Virginia State Division II and III meet. The men placed second with a total of fifty-two points in the competition. The only team that topped the Eagles was Washington and Lee University.

Gates, placing first with a time of 25:17.64 in the 10,000 meter race, finished nearly one full minute ahead of the second place runner. Gerbereux was next in line for the Eagles, finishing third with a time of 26:24.41, only nine seconds behind the second place finisher.

Although the men also have a considerable lack of experience on their team (five out of eleven runners are freshmen), they have run well this year and are continuing to improve.

"They [the men's team] are good runners, but lack some of the depth that the women's team possesses. The goal of the men's team was to consistently improve every week and at every meet. I am proud that they have accomplished this goal," remarked Soper.

This weekend the men will face tough competition against a tough Frostburg St. squad which is favored to win the annual Mason-Dixon meet. "Frostburg is the favorite for this meet. We're hoping to place no less than second to them," commented Soper.

The future looks bright for both the men's and women's teams. However, the Eagles do not have to look too far forward into the future for success. This year MWC is hosting the NCAA Division III Regionals for the first time, and Soper believes the teams have a good chance to win and move on to nationals.

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final score.

"I'm really proud of the team," Powell said, "and I'm excited about where we're headed."

Nussen, who played a gritty game for the team and assisted on the final try, injured her hand early in the contest but still managed to finish out the game. Afterwards it was confirmed that she had broken several bones and will therefore be unable to play in this weekend's tournament.

The rest of the team will be ready to go when they head to Roanoke for the tournament on Friday. Their first match will be against Longwood. The tournament is single-elimination, so the team will have to win both of their first two games in order to advance to the finals on Sunday. If the team wins the tournament, they will advance to the regional competition and will automatically qualify for the national tournament.

B.S. (Bullet Staff) Sports Polls

Hockey

1. Colorado (55)
2. Florida (49)
3. Detroit (44)
4. Philadelphia (44)
5. Dallas (29)
6. NY Rangers (22)
7. Pittsburgh (17)
8. Chicago (16)
9. Montreal (13)
10. Hartford (12)

Pro Football

1. Green Bay (50)
2. San Francisco (42)
3. Denver (36)
4. Indianapolis (26)
5. Pittsburgh (26)
6. Buffalo (24)
7. Kansas City (20)
8. Dallas (18)
9. Washington (9)
10. Carolina (8)

NCAA Football

1. Florida (49)
2. Florida St. (42)
3. Ohio St. (39)
4. Nebraska (34)
5. Arizona St. (30)
6. Tennessee (22)
7. Alabama (17)
8. Colorado (15)
9. N. Carolina (8)
10. Wyoming (7)

B.S. Awards

AL Cy Young:
Andy Pettite, Yankees
NL Cy Young:
John Smoltz, Braves
AL MVP:
A. Rodriguez, Mariners
NL MVP:
Atlanta's pitching staff
Sportsman of the Year:
(tie) Robbie Alomar, O's
Albert Belle, Indians

This week's contributors to the B.S. Poll were: Zak Billmeier (Editor-in-chief), Brian Schumacher (Editor), Eric Gaffen (Asst. Editor), Josh VanDyck (Asst. Editor), and Mike Dugan (friend of sports staff). Hey, why isn't your name here?

The presidents of the B.S. Polls' executive council would like to announce that Resident Hockey Expert Jenine "Neeny" Zimmers has returned to contribute her vast hockey knowledge to the poll.

The sports staff, and New York Islander Bryan McCabe, would just like to say: "Welcome back."

Next week the polls will be: hockey, pro and college football, and a fourth category to be announced.

Would you like to be a B.S. pollster? If so, talk to Brian or Zak on campus (we probably won't bite, or anything), or call the Sports Desk at 654-1133.

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years. According to Wood, former RMC players and coaches now hold coaching positions at such Div. I schools as Georgia, West Virginia, Marshall, the Citadel, and UNC-Greensboro. In fact, Wood is certain that Randolph-Macon's reputation was the primary factor in his hiring at MWC.

"A lot of good people [from Randolph-Macon] went to bat for me, and I think that's why Mary Washington took a gamble on me. I also think they wanted someone motivated, someone who's excited and who cares about the program," he said.

MWC hasn't had much more than a few moral victories in the past 10 years, but if Wood has his way, losing is going to be a thing of the past. His goal sounds simple, yet it is daunting: a nationally recognized, perennially ranked program at Mary Washington.

"Right now, expectations are very

low, and I want to change that. I hope to get to the point where everyone expects us to win—the players, the students, everybody, Wood said."

To achieve this lofty goal, Coach Wood plans to rely heavily on conditioning. Practices in Goolrick Gym are going to be much tougher than in the past, and from the early reactions of the exhausted players, the team should be in great physical shape.

"We need any competitive edge we can get, coming off a 6-19 season," said Wood. "I like it hot, and I like the smallness of Goolrick Gym—that's going to help us. We will be in shape, and I hope we can get out and press our opponents."

Of course conditioning alone doesn't win games (except maybe at Kentucky), so Wood also plans to emphasize intelligent, mistake-free play on the court. Describing this dual philosophy of stamina and

smarts, Wood says:

"Lots of coaches say 'we played hard,' but anybody can play hard for a little while. What matters is how intelligently you play, how you direct your energy. That's how you win."

Though he is coaching on an interim basis, Wood says he will coach this season, "as if he is going to be here for five years." Whether he gets his wish and returns next year probably will not depend on a winning season, but rather on an improvement over last year's dismal finish. If Wood's enthusiasm is any indication, that improvement shouldn't be a problem.

"I love a challenge," said Wood, "and I like getting to start things my way. The players see I'm excited, and I think they are too. If we can get the gym packed full of fans, and if we're in shape, then we are definitely going to win some games."



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ENTERTAINMENT

WMWC: UNPLUGGED

By Ryan A. MacMichael
Bulletin Staff Writer

It was only two short years ago that WMWC was "broadcasting" on 540 AM carrier current. If you were one of the lucky few in Virginia Hall, you could listen to the station mixed with a healthy dose of static. Last year the station increased listenership by moving to cable FM, and this year yet another step has been made, this time in programming.

Sunday night WMWC broadcast its first live acoustic show. It featured a half hour of Rob Thormeyer, associate editor of the Bulletin, and a half hour of Thormeyer and partner Pat Broom. Neither were very sure what to expect.

"I thought it would be just me playing nonstop, introducing my own songs," said Thormeyer. "I had no idea there were going to be interviews and station IDs."

"I thought it was going to be just Rob and me in the small room with the door shut," added Broom.

The pair were in for a surprise when they found producer Natalie Illum joining them in the production studio as well as two hosts in the broadcast studio and a slew of other station officers watching. Despite the extra manpower, the pair weren't taken aback.

"We were able to perform without the pressure of people's eyes," said Broom. "They're not looking at us, they're just listening."

Both Broom and Thormeyer were pleased with the final outcome of the program.

"I didn't think it would be so professional," Thormeyer said. "I was impressed by the whole gig."

"It was a great experience," agreed Broom.

Thormeyer and Broom played covers of Soul Asylum, Golden Smog, and a handful of original compositions.

While this was the first time that either of the two had performed on the radio, it was also a first for WMWC. Not only was it a new idea in programming, but technically, nothing like this had been done at the station before. Station Manager Brady Wassom, also a co-host of the show, was very pleased with the results.

"It was just a 'let's see what's going to happen' sort of thing," said Wassom. "It went about 150 times better than I thought it was going to go."

Illum was happy, as were friends, with the outcome.

"I've gotten a lot of positive feedback," said Illum. "It was very professional."

This type of programming also opens a lot of doors for artists in the Mary Washington community. Broom was especially supportive of this venture.

"Our campus has a lot of live music on it and having live music on the radio is great," said Broom. "We've got good musicians and this is



another way to let students hear and enjoy their music."

Wassom also feels there is a lot of further potential that is shown by the quality of this first live acoustic broadcast.

"The potential is pretty obvious: it's a great outlet for artists," said Wassom. "The more people that hear about it will also know about the station."

Wassom has hopes that bands not performing at the college can stop by and perform for the students, similar to WHFS's "Just Passing Through."

"I would like it to be a chance for bands coming through that can't play at the school," said Wassom.

Illum, also an assistant music director at the station, considers this type of programming essential to the station's survival.

"It's what we need: student support," said Illum. "It's the link between

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Huyen Campbell/Bullet

Right: Juniors Pat Broom and Rob Thormeyer belt out a few tunes at the world premiere of WMWC's live acoustic show.

Left: Thormeyer plays one of his own songs in the WMWC studio Sunday night. He played eight songs solo and was joined by Broom for the remaining eight songs.

If you are interested in playing at an upcoming WMWC acoustic night, please contact the station at x1152. Otherwise, tune into 91.5 fm.

Calling All Poets!

By Stephanie Herron
Bulletin Staff Writer

Birkenstocks, coffee and Camel cigarettes. These objects of college life were just a few of the subjects that MWC poets shed light on during Open Mike Night, a student reading sponsored by the Underground Writers' Group.

Shortly after 9 p.m. on Oct. 1, the lights dimmed in the Underground Coffee House and the few people studying closed their books. Ten students were scheduled to read their poems, and others could sign up to read afterwards. Although the posters advertising the event had only recently been posted, many students heeded the request to "please come and support our local poets," nearly filling the tables.

The reading featured a diverse group of students with diverse styles of poetry and unique reading techniques. Topics ranged from masturbation to teddy bears.

The personal styles of the readers were as varied and as interesting as their poems. Nathaniel Miller, whose black combat boots were held together by duct tape, was the first reader to make noticeable use of rhyme.

Another reader, Sarah McCall, wearing a ponytail on top of her head, warned the audience, "I really have to go to the bathroom bad, but I guess I'll wait."

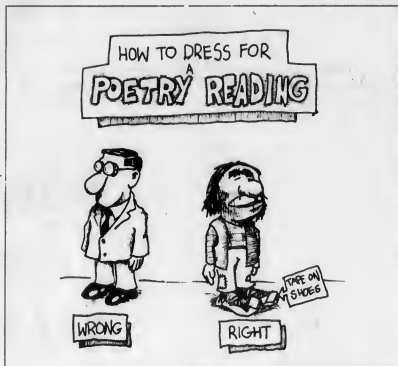
Jen McClintock, a co-chair of the Poetry/Fiction Readers' Series, has a confident, powerful voice despite her petite frame.

"This one has a bit of a twang," she warned, hoping that she would not offend anyone with her imitation of a southern accent.

Joshua Gravis began with a poem that he wrote when he was 14. Later, with a youthful arrogance, he expressed a desire for the spotlight attention given to poet Jay Wright during a previous on-campus reading. No one in the audience seemed to have a similar desire though—no one signed up to read after the 10 scheduled readers.

The audience lingered for conversation, then shuffled out reluctantly, the taste of coffee and herbal teas on their tongues, smelling faintly of cigarette smoke and thinking poetic thoughts. Professor Hank Lewis, faculty sponsor for the Poetry/Fiction Readers' Series, said that the fact that so many people are interested in listening to poetry is impressive, especially in the face of what he described as a "TV nation."

Although McClintock expressed similar sentiments regarding the turnout of the event, she said that she would like to see even more student involvement.



While some poets, such as Mathias Svalina, read poems that they had written for Lewis' class, prior involvement in creative writing is not a prerequisite for participation in the Underground Writers' Group or in the Poetry/Fiction Readers' Series. In fact, neither of the co-chairs is an English major.

The Underground Writers' Group meets on Monday nights at 9 p.m., and its meetings are open to everyone.

"We're very unstructured," said M. J. Figel, a co-chair of the Poetry/Fiction Readers' Series. The group's activities are completely student-driven, she said.

Lewis said, "it's nice to know that students are doing that on their own, outside of their classes." He believes that the student incentive shown by their organization of these groups indicates that many MWC students are very serious about writing, and that this level of student organization is rare at other schools.

The Underground Writers' Group hopes to have one more student reading by the end of November. The next reading that the Poetry/Fiction Readers' Series plans to sponsor is the Writers' Harvest benefit reading, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 7, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. in the Underground. This reading will feature George Garrett from UVA and Paula Chapman from VCU.

Album Review

By Yori Tondrowski
Bulletin Staff Writer

Shulmadchen Report—Gert Wilden and His Orchestra

Finally there has come along an album that embodies the true spirit of the seventies; this one, however, is European style. Gert Wilden's Schoolgirl Report is a compilation of "sexy German films" music. Schoolgirl Report and various following films were intended to exemplify sexuality in modern youth. These movies were an enormous success in Germany, due to the graphic detail and variety of subjects, which ranged from forbidden love (age and race) to rape and incest. These movies brimmed with sexuality, drugs, and alcohol, and Wilden captures this on his album. The music and visuals of these films have created a cult following around the world comparable to those of Japanese monster flicks, Kung-Fu movies, and Andy Warhol pictures.

It is important to note that American society's view of sexuality and the appropriateness of it differs greatly from that of the Germans and the rest of Europe as well. It is apparent through his past works and his reputation as a composer that Gert Wilden takes his music very seriously. Wilden and his orchestra are respected and admired for their work. The movies are not cheap pornos and the music is far from the mindless music usually associated with these films. Wilden composes each tune with extreme consideration for spatial relationships of the instruments and masterfully adds complexity in rhythms and beats. The genius of Wilden is that these compositions are fun to listen to and evoke a wide range of emotions. I recommend a large amount of European beer, a circle of cool friends, and a box of cheap cigars. This album is definitely worth its time.

I imported this record directly from Germany upon hearing its praises from a friend overseas. This album (I do not partake in buying tapes or

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WMWC Top Ten List

Place	Album	Artist
1	"Trainspotting"	Soundtrack
2	"Odelay"	Beck
3	"Jawbox"	Jawbox
4	"New Adventures in Hi-Fi"	REM
5	"White Light, White Trash"	Social Distortion
6	"Million Dollar Sound..."	Various Artists
7	"Harmacy"	Sebadoh
8	"Building Foundation"	Sensefield
9	"Bonnie & Clyde"	Afghan Whigs
10	"MTV Unplugged"	Alice in Chains

The Top Ten List is compiled by the Music Dept. of WMWC and determined by the amount of airplay an album receives by the DJs of the station. Questions? Please call the Bulletin at x1133 or WMWC at x1152.

Local Music Scene Coming Attractions..

Sante Fe Grill and Saloon
Friday, Blue Alibi

The Underground
Friday, Trippa and Bott on Lion

The Depot
Thursday, DJ Jojo
Friday, The Next Step
Saturday, All Mighty Senators and Juke

Irish Brigade
Thursday, Fanny Cracker
Friday, Flying Cows of Ventry
Saturday, Flying Cows of Ventry

Friday, Oct. 25: Movie, "Independence Day," \$1, Dodd Auditorium

Saturday, Oct. 26: Movie, "Independence Day," \$1, Dodd Auditorium

Saturday, Oct. 26: Halloweens, \$5, Great Hall

Tuesday, Oct. 29: Concert, Reverend Horton Heat, \$3 students, \$6 non-students, Great Hall

Gallery Display: "Champions of Modernism: Non-Objective Art of the 1930s and 40s and Its Legacy," du Pont and Ridderhof Martin Galleries



"Hey that's a nice a nice shirt, but it would look better crumpled in a heap by my bed."
-Lukasz Pinkowski, sophomore

What's Your Favorite Pick-up Line?

Photos and interview conducted by Karen Pearlman



"I don't have one."
-Jeff Ridenoure, junior

"I can introduce you to John Snellgrove."
-Andy Brown, junior



"Nice shoes, want to *#@*?"
-Howard Muhlstein, sophomore



"Hi, milk comes from a cow's teet."
-Thomas Johnson, senior



horoscope

By Sarak Ardestani
Bulletin Astrologer

ARIES March 21—April 20: The slow pace of things pick up with the movement of Mars into your house. Things happening around you are not in your control; be sure to separate yourself from those matters and focus on what you can control—the decisions you make. Advice: Beauty is imminent in every single individual. Love: Take some time off from the love scene to figure things out.

TAURUS April 21—May 21: Financial matters have been a burden for Taurus. This has not been easy for Taurus to deal with, especially since Taurus is considered to be the sign of money. Put your worries to rest; your lack of money is actually a virtue. It keeps you aiming high. Advice: Reality is a state of mind. Love: Unless you're satisfied with the way things are going, do something to change it.

GEMINI May 22—June 21: With many changes going on around you, you have been doing a good job of staying centered and keeping things in perspective. Keep up the good work and don't be afraid to ask for help. Advice: Good always beats evil. Love: Take things slow; there's no need to rush things.

CANCER June 22—July 21: The Cancerian has an outward appearance of being detached and unemotional. Right now someone is nearby to appreciate your extreme inward sensitivity. Once found, let that person in on your thoughts, allowing your inner beauty to shine. Advice: In the midst of chaos, remember that out of pain comes joy and out of ugliness comes beauty. Love: Venus is looking out for you. Your love life can easily bloom, but it's up to you to make the first move.

LEO July 22—August 22: Smile, child. You've done good. You've been busy doing what you've needed to do and now it's time to play. Release some of that built up energy by dancing the night away. Advice: Don't take things too seriously. Love: Enjoy playing the field.

VIRGO August 23—September 23: Take some time to yourself for reflection. You've been busy being busy for others. Be sure to make time for dancing; it will take you places you've never been to before. Advice: The key to understanding others is knowing thyself. Love: Go after the one you want.

LIBRA September 24—October 23: You're having to make some serious decisions lately; don't be swayed by the opinions of others. Listen to their advice, but be sure that the final decision is made by you. Advice: Be open to meeting new people. Love: Give your love, or a potential love, a wink.

SCORPIO October 24—November 23: You have had time to relax and now it's time to get to work. Be prepared for surprises coming around the corner. The best way to deal with them is to take them as they come and then go dancing afterwards. Advice: Be open to trying new things. Love: Pick up the pace with an occasional love.

SAGITTARIUS November 24—December 22: Good things are happening all around you; get ready to boogie. Dance and enjoy the beautiful colors of autumn with friends. Be sure to make the most of this wonderful time to last you through upcoming obstacles. Advice: Don't be afraid to smile at a stranger. Love: Share a special song with your love.

CAPRICORN December 23—January 20: As a result of Venus entering your house, Capricorn has been feeling extra loving and affectionate. With a little effort, you can hold on to this mood. Take advantage of this opportunity to spread some joy. Advice: Know that the chaos in life helps to keep things in balance. Love: Love is abundant all around you; take a look at the changing colors of autumn.

AQUARIUS January 21—February 19: Right now is the perfect time to do all of the things you've been meaning to do. The mood is already set for you by Jupiter; all you have to do now is get to work. Surprisingly enough, you may discover work to be an enjoyable experience. Advice: Familiarize yourself with the works of an artist. Love: Take a passive role for a change; approach matters of love when they come your way.

PISCES February 20—March 20: You have taken off quite a bit of time to stop and smell the roses. It was a well deserved change and now Mars has returned to push you back into your old routine of hard work. Prepare yourself accordingly. Advice: Don't plan things too far in advance; try to take things as they come. Love: Never felt better. Celebrate your love with a romantic dinner.

ALBUM page 8

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The financial aid strives to assist all students who apply and qualify for financial aid.

We are bound by many regulations and students need to keep informed about programs and the

applications process.

We hope students will contact this office about available programs, required forms, deadlines and any questions they may have.

We currently are assisting approximately 65 percent of the eligible student body with some form of financial assistance.

Robert U. MacDonald
associate dean for financial aid

Student Angered Over Phone Rate

Upon receiving my phone bill for September, it came to my attention that there has been a substantial increase in the college-controlled calling rates from August to September.

In August, a call placed during the day cost 22 cents per minute; in September, the same call was 26 cents per minute.

This increase also pertained to calls made during evening hours, and calls placed on nights and weekends.

In August, an evening call was 14 cents per minute, but during September, the same call was 17 cents per minute. On nights and weekends, calls in August were 13 cents per minute, last month, they were 15 cents per minute.

Additionally, according to the MWC Voice Services Calling Guide, a five-minute call to Alexandria placed between 5 and 11 p.m. costs 63 cents. On my bill that exact call cost 85 cents.

Although these small differences do not appear to be significant at first, the changed rates cost me approximately \$16 extra on my bill for September.

On behalf of all students, I would like an explanation for the increased rates.

Michelle Hanson
freshman

Frat Pledges Meant Well

This past Monday the Psi Upsilon (Mary Washington's unrecognized fraternity) pledges (prospective brothers) Church Hutton, Dan Opicla, Rich Kimble, Gabe Goldstein, Nathan Powers, and I were seen looking around the base of the trees between Jefferson and South Halls.

Our goal was to find eight white ribbons that the brothers had hidden, in a contest to benefit the White Ribbon Campaign, a national crusade against violence towards women.

Before we had completed our task, we were surprised by a campus officer. He told us that he had received "a half dozen complaints about people looking in windows."

Well let me be the first to say this is probably one of the most ridiculous accusations I have ever heard.

Here we stood before the law as peeping toms. It was always my impression that trees could be examined, especially if they are located in a common area.

As we stood there respectfully answering the officer's questions, his back-up arrived.

Suddenly we were no longer just peeping toms, but we were also snooping around cars. Gabe showed the officers the ribbons and explained again what we were up to; one of them smiled.

Well sure enough they let us go and told us that next time we wanted to have a treasure hunt we needed to do this around an academic building. In response to this incident, we the pledge class would like to extend a sincere apology to anyone we may have troubled, including the two officers.

We encourage you to come and introduce yourselves to us, especially if you support the national White Ribbon Campaign, or if you just plain like trees.

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The number of employment opportunities administered through the financial aid office have been reduced now that Wood Food Service, mail room and printing services employ their own students.

The financial aid strives to assist all students who apply and qualify for financial aid.

We are bound by many regulations and students need to keep informed about programs and the

applications process.

We hope students will contact this office about available programs, required forms, deadlines and any questions they may have.

We currently are assisting approximately 65 percent of the eligible student body with some form of financial assistance.

Robert U. MacDonald
associate dean for financial aid

Student Angered Over Phone Rate

Upon receiving my phone bill for September, it came to my attention that there has been a substantial increase in the college-controlled calling rates from August to September.

In August, a call placed during the day cost 22 cents per minute; in September, the same call was 26 cents per minute.

This increase also pertained to calls made during evening hours, and calls placed on nights and weekends. In August, an evening call was 14 cents per minute, but during September, the same call was 17 cents per minute. On nights and weekends, calls in August were 13 cents per minute, last month, they were 15 cents per minute.

Additionally, according to the MWC Voice Services Calling Guide, a five-minute call to Alexandria placed between 5 and 11 p.m. costs 63 cents. On my bill that exact call cost 85 cents.

Although these small differences do not appear to be significant at first, the changed rates cost me approximately \$16 extra on my bill for September.

On behalf of all students, I would like an explanation for the increased rates.

Michelle Hanson
freshman

Frat Pledges Meant Well

This past Monday the Psi Upsilon (Mary Washington's unrecognized fraternity) pledges (prospective brothers) Church Hutton, Dan Opicla, Rich Kimble, Gabe Goldstein, Nathan Powers, and I were seen looking around the base of the trees between Jefferson and South Halls.

Our goal was to find eight white ribbons that the brothers had hidden, in a contest to benefit the White Ribbon Campaign, a national crusade against violence towards women.

Before we had completed our task, we were surprised by a campus officer. He told us that he had received "a half dozen complaints about people looking in windows."

Well let me be the first to say this is probably one of the most ridiculous accusations I have ever heard.

Here we stood before the law as peeping toms. It was always my impression that trees could be examined, especially if they are located in a common area.

As we stood there respectfully answering the officer's questions, his back-up arrived.

Suddenly we were no longer just peeping toms, but we were also snooping around cars. Gabe showed the officers the ribbons and explained again what we were up to; one of them smiled.

Well sure enough they let us go and told us that next time we wanted to have a treasure hunt we needed to do this around an academic building.

In response to this incident, we the pledge class would like to extend a sincere apology to anyone we may have troubled, including the two officers.

We encourage you to come and introduce yourselves to us, especially if you support the national White Ribbon Campaign, or if you just plain like trees.

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Speak Up When You Come Out Of The "Closet"

Oral Intensive Requirement Brings MWC A Speaking Center For Students And Faculty

By Kim Ranney
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

Radford University houses the largest speaking center in the state of Virginia. The University of Richmond is constructing a three-room complex devoted to oral communication skills. Starting this year, Mary Washington College will offer "the speaking closet," a speech center carved out of room 303 in Chandler Hall.

"The 'speaking closet,' a room packed with audiovisual equipment, will function as a resource for both students and faculty who are adjusting to Mary Washington College's new speaking intensive program, according to John Morello, chair of the department of English, linguistics and speech and director of the speaking intensive program.

"If it involves an oral communications project that an instructor is trying to design or a student is trying to do, we hope the center will be of use," said Morello, who created the speaking center.

The speaking center will focus on helping both students and faculty adjust to the new direction that Mary Washington College is taking, across-the-curriculum.

Students who use the speaking center will have their speeches videotaped and critiqued by the peer consultants. The center will also provide reading materials, handouts, evaluations and instructional videotapes, Morello said.

"The center will enable students to come and present their speeches, be videotaped, watch it, and discuss it with a consultant," Morello said.

Students can also create computer-generated visual aids on videotape at the speaking center.

"We want to introduce them to computer technology, which is becoming standard fare," Morello said.

Morello plans to use classrooms as resources by videotaping speeches and debates for students and faculty to consult in the speaking center.

"Down the road we hope to be creating some of our own instructional materials," Morello said.

Faculty members can view these videotapes and consult other instructional materials when designing

courses for the new oral intensive program, Morello said.

As part of their training, the peer consultants must read the literature the center provides, review the instructional videos, and prepare a presentation for one of their courses to videotape as a resource for the center, Morello said.

The center will not open until the students hired as peer consultants have been properly trained. That date has not been determined, according to Morello.

Morello purchased new equipment, which includes a video camera, a television, a VCR and a computer, for the speaking center. According to Phillip Hall, provost of Mary Washington College, the state of Virginia allocated \$50,000 for curriculum development and instructional technology, which was used towards the speaking center and the oral intensive program.

As a result of the creation of the oral intensive requirement, which will go into effect in the fall of 1997, Morello requested the addition of another full-time faculty position in the department of English, linguistics and speech.

Morello is seeking someone with different training than his to fill the tenure-track position. The new hire will teach speech classes and act as a liaison to other departments creating oral intensive classes.

Mary Washington administration reallocated the new faculty position from the dance department after Jean Hunt, the last tenured dance professor, retired, according to Hall.

"I didn't propose that any other department be stripped of a position," Morello said, about the reallocation of the

faculty position.

The administration moved the position out of the dance department because the major is being phased out. The department of English, linguistics and speech has the largest need for another faculty position due to the new across-the-curriculum oral intensive program, according to Hall.

"An additional faculty member will serve as a resource to other departments, and expand the number of oral intensives in the department," Morello said.

The new oral intensive program adds two speaking intensive courses to the general education requirement, Morello said.

The peer consultants are also compiling critique sheets and worksheets for the center, as well as videotaping other classes that are involved in debates, oral reports or class discussion, according to junior Leslie Mills, a political science major who works at the speaking center. Peer consultants are paid \$4.75 an hour and work eight hours a week.

The peer consultants are also trained to aid students who struggle with speech anxiety.

Melissa Schreiber, a senior who created her own speech/communications major, is doing an independent study on speaking centers this semester. One of Schreiber's tasks includes researching methods of dealing with communication anxiety.

"In the real world, spoken language is used more than written language. The first step to conquering speech anxiety is to speak up in class."

--Melissa Schreiber
Senior communications major

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The college hopes that developing new guidelines will make situations like Gilles' easier and help students understand the college's policy.

The problem for many students arose with Gilles' personal attacks on other members of the college community.

Gilles damned students to hell for their sins—going to parties, drinking, wearing short skirts, and earrings or long hair on men.

Gilles also attacked women, calling them whores, for going to parties or bars. Gilles followed this accusation by saying that these women were asking to be raped.

Jeremiah Stoddard, sophomore and Bulletin staff writer, heard Gilles tell women students that they should wear shirts that said, "Rape me" if they went to parties.

Senior Scott Wise was one onlooker who actively engaged Gilles in conversation.

"I felt so much more informed when he told me that my girlfriend was a whore because she was a girl and that she was going to hell because she is Jewish," said Senior Scott Wise sarcastically.

Many students had difficulties with Gilles' right to speak on campus due to his apparent violations of the school's Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations.

"It's fine to let him speak here, but it doesn't go along with our statement of Community Values, but [Gilles] never signed anything that said he would abide by those guidelines," said Wise.

Seniors Susan Peterson, Andy Sturm, Josh Heiner, and Lisa Reeves made signs protesting Gilles' speaking.

"We made posters that said 'Mary Washington Students Against the Denigration of Homosexuals and Women,' 'Mary Washington Students in Support of

Community Values and Behavioral Expectations,' and 'The Right of Every Individual to be Treated With Dignity and Respect at All Times,'" said Peterson.

In addition to protesting, Peterson filed a complaint with Mary Washington Police against Gilles for Abusive Language.

Senior Michael Dugan agreed that Gilles' language was offensive and may have crossed over the line of free speech.

"There's a difference between free speech and hate speech. A good Christian should have respect for one another and he definitely lacked that."

Many students were upset with the religious aspects to Gilles' approach.

"As far as I'm concerned, Christians should teach the principles of acceptance and diversity and he preached hate," said Junior Larissa Laponte.

Sophomore Preston Robinson was offended by Gilles' manipulation of the Bible.

"Anyone that believed what he preached and who is trying to save people's souls would never say those things," said Robinson. "Everything he said bothered me. I don't think he really cares about religion. He's just looking to cause problems."

Allen and his roommates went out of their way to attend one of Gilles' "sermons."

"I thought he was a fake. I went out their purposely to make fun of him," said Allen.

Allen was one of many students that noticed the humorous political aspects of the visit.

"He made me realize that voting for Bob Dole was the wrong way to go," said Allen.

Senior Michael Dugan took a different approach.

"I think he was sent by the Clinton Campaign to scare

students away from voting for Dole. I'm sure that it was a scare tactic against Dole," said Dugan.

Although the political approach is viable, Gilles has a history of campus visits predating this election.

Gilles showed up on campus armed with a list of Supreme court precedents about free speech on college campuses.

Former Assistant Attorney General for Virginia, Rick Kast has dealt with Gilles in legal action before. While Kast worked for the state of Virginia, he was assigned a case to represent Virginia Tech against Gilles.

According to Kast, Gilles filed legislation against Virginia Tech over a conflict about the locations where he could speak.

"Gilles wanted to preach on the Drill Field, which is not permitted. Administrators said that they would provide him another place to speak but he wasn't satisfied," said Kast.

Gilles filed against the General Council at Tech in Federal Court and the case was decided in favor of Virginia Tech. Gilles filed an appeal with the Federal Appeals Court. However, before the case was heard, Gilles and the college reached an agreement leading the court to decline to hear the case because it had already been settled.

Virginia Tech's regulations allow for specific times and places that public speakers can perform on campus. Mary Washington's policy will include guidelines similar to these, according to Singleton.

The limitations that the college put on Gilles included time and location limits. Early on the first day, Gilles spoke in a variety of locations on campus on his first day including the fountain, outside of campus center, and in front of Lee Hall before he was limited to Ball Circle.

"In the real world, spoken language is used more than written language. The first step to conquering speech anxiety is to speak up in class," Schreiber said.

Mary Washington's speaking center is based on programs at Radford University and Brown University, both schools have labs larger than Mary Washington's, according to Schreiber, who researched speaking centers at other colleges and universities.

"These programs are a great success. They really help students with their speeches. If ours runs like theirs, I think it will be a great benefit to our school," Schreiber said.

Christina Kakava, assistant professor of linguistics, agrees that speech anxiety is a problem with some students. Kakava incorporates speech activities in her classes as much as possible.

"The problem some students have is stage fright. It's very disheartening for me to see the anxiety some students have," said Kakava, who plans to offer one oral intensive course next fall.

Peer consultant Tara Ayn Bahr applied for the job to help students develop better communication skills.

"I think it's very important. You need to have speaking skills for any field you go into," said Bahr, a senior political science major. "I figured if I could help people through that, it would be a good on-campus job."

As long as the speaking center remains in Chandler Hall, there will not be an opportunity for the center to expand, due to spatial limitations, Hall said.

Morello feels that the "speaking closet" is a first step that must be tested before plans for expansion are pursued.

"Once we see what the needs and use of the center are, we can make plans to move forward. We can't create space out of thin air," Morello said.

Kakava hopes that the need for expansion will be there.

"The facilities we have are very minimal. I hope the demand, and the new facility will give us the impetus [to expand]," Kakava said. "We need the cooperation and support of the administration, so we can hopefully have a state of the art facility to benefit the students."

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place the blame for the crime on him alone.

"Malicious or not, computer trespass is a serious violation of the college policy and the state law," Knick said.

All the key players were present on the morning of Sept. 26. Ackermann, Law, and Knick appeared in court along with Trus, who looked confident and sharp in his three piece suit. The witnesses were not needed for the brief proceedings, since Lowery did not progress with the charges. Judge John Stevens, without requiring Trus to enter a plea, said the computer trespass charge will be dismissed after one year, if no further charges are brought against him. Trus does not have to appear in court again, and on Sept. 30, 1997, he will be cleared and out of trouble.

Trus, at the end of the trial, however, refused to comment on the case. He is no longer a student here and is now attending the University of Maryland. Trus

maintained his innocence and said that he will be returning to Mary Washington College for this spring's semester.

Ackermann says this type of situation has never occurred before on the Mary Washington College computer network and that the incident did not prompt any changes in the school's computer policy. There was no long term damage to the system and the only cost was in lost time to students who may have struggled with the resulting slow pace of the computer system.

Mary Washington College's Policy For Using Computer Facilities

states that disciplinary actions for abuses can include both criminal and Honor Code charges. Conrad Warlick, senior vice president for administrative and student services at Mary Washington College, said Trus was not charged with any violation of the Honor Code. Warlick added that this is an ongoing investigation for the college.

Knick said that if the school was going to prosecute a

student in administrative hearings, officials would generally wait until after any criminal case ended. Warlick, who heads administrative hearings concerning violations of campus rules and regulations, refused to say whether the school is planning to take any further action against Trus.

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